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## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

October is the month we celebrate Thanksgiving, I would like to thank the many wonderful parents and guardians who have helped to get this school year off to a super start. Thank you for your partnership in preparing your children for another September, with health and safety at the forefront.

In September, we were pleased to be able to resume some of usual school activities. We held our Terry Fox event, held Cross Country Activities for Grades 3-8 and began training for Intermediate Soccer. Although, things are little different students are enjoying participating and celebrating their skills.

The fall usually brings rain and cold temperatures. Please dress your children appropriately for the weather! We will attempt to allow students outside during as many breaks as possible.

In cooperation with the Ministry and NRPH, we are adding an additional layer to the Daily Student Screening Parents have been completing. We are asking families to complete the process on-line. Please see page 5 for all the details.

In October we will be celebrating Halloween. We are currently finalizing our plans for our Halloween festivities. Please see page 4 for some details. Stay tuned for more information.

## SCHOOL COUNCIL

School Council met, virtually, for the first time this year, on September 28, 2021.

The different roles and responsibilities of the School Council were discussed, school goals and fundraising was also discussed.

At our first meeting, the executive rolls were filled. We will like to thank Mrs. Stortz and Ms. Bartlett for taking on the role of co-chairs. We would like to thank Gaetanne Barton and Jennifer McGregor who have done a great job of leading the council for a number of years and will be continuing as members this year.

If you are interested or have questions don't hesitate to contact the school or join us at our next meeting.

**The School Council next meets on November 9, 2021 @6:30pm**

All parents are welcome to attend.

Feel free to contact the School Council co-chairs or the office with questions.

Heather Stortz

Jodie Bartlett

# SEPTEMBER AWARD WINNERS



**Mrs. Chrastina & Mrs. Belvedere** – Tobias R., and Zoltyn M.

**Mrs. Teather & Mrs. Rossi** – Isla P., Colton T., and Logan W.

**Mrs. Hall & Mrs. Leveille**– Jack B., Oliver S. and Finley L.

**Mrs. Kurland** – Henry R. and Matea D.

**Mrs. Fairchild** – Olivia R., and Jack F.

**Mrs. Downs** – Tristan B., Mollee C., Elin F., and Walker R.

**Mr. Side** – Roman F., and Parker, S.

**Miss Moore** – Maksim, Luke, and Marlowe

**Ms. Bourdeau** – Benjamin S., Hadley C., and Shyan G.

**Mr. Mako** – Emmy B., Norah H., and Dylan R.

**Mr. Mueller** – Aiden L., Khatija D., and Yuan Yuan Y.

**Ms. Gamm** – Tyson E., Samuel M., Lauren V., and Riley W.

**Mrs. Furtney** – Anushka S., Bentley H., Nate B., and Brady F.

**Mr. Medhurst** – Lexi S., and Emery R.

**Mr. Campbell** – Hasti B., Ben G., and Adam F.

**Mrs. Coote** – Avery C., Emma S., Meah R., and Violet Z.

**Mrs. Hyatt**- James G.



## TERRY FOX EVENT

During September, classes participated individually in a Terry Fox Run/Walk. Traditionally, schools ask for a "Toonie for Terry". This year, we were unable to collect cash and asked that donations be made on line, directly to the Terry Fox Foundation. We set of a target of \$800 ( the equivalent of \$2 per student). I am please to announce that our school community raised \$1050. Thank you to all the families that donated to this worthy cause.

**"anything  
is possible  
if you try."**





## BUSSING

We appreciate families patience with late bussing. Niagara Student Transportation Services has confirmed that there is a driver for every route but not sufficient spare drivers to cover driver absences. NSTS and bus companies are making every effort to continue to provide service to all eligible students; however, there may be delays.

To learn of delays impacting your child's bus route, please download the BusPlanner Delay app, subscribe in the parent portal to receive email alerts, or visit [NSTS.ca](https://www.nsts.ca) for alerts. There are new bus drivers in training and we are working hard to minimize delays.



## ENTRANCE, DISMISSAL AND PARKING

Entrance and dismissal times are busy at every school. Parking is often an issue at these times. As an Active Transport School, we encourage all students in the walking zone to use active transport, walking, riding or wheeling to and from school, where it is safe to do so.

The current construction on Pelham Road has led to additional challenges. We look forward to the completion of the work as the plan includes bike lanes and a sidewalk on the school side of the road.

Procedures are always being reviewed to improve student safety. Glynn A. Green has made many changes over the years and now has a designated bus lane on Port Robinson Road. We hope that our families can exercise caution and patience to make our students safe. If you must drive your child(ren) to school or pick them up at the end of the day, please put safety first

In the Port Robinson Parking lot, we do have an Handicap Accessible spot designated. We do have families that need to access the spot ( near the dumpster). Please do not block this spot and only park in the spot if you have permit to do so.

A reminder to our families that the east end of the bus lane on Port Robinson Road ( far end from the school) can be used for a Kiss and Ride for our older students as their zones are on the lower field and they can use the gate in that area.

## WALKTOBER

Join families around the world to celebrate International Walk to School Month. Kids who walk or bike to school arrive alert and ready to learn. To teach your child how to be a safer pedestrian, check out tips from Blue the Butterfly. If you live too far away to walk all the way to school, drive to a location near your school and walk the rest of the way. Using active transportation helps reduce congestion at your school. This October, practice walking to school so you can leave the car at home more often.

October is International Walk to School Month.

Students around the world are walking & wheeling to school. Join the movement!

LET'S WALK!  
CELEBRATE  
IWALK Month 2021



# HALLOWEEN/FALL ACTIVITIES



This year, we will continue to return to more normal processes. For Halloween, students are able to dress in costumes as long as they meet the following criteria:

- Students can don or remove costume independently (or come to school in costume)
- The costume includes a mask (Covid prevention type)
- Students can use the washroom independently
- Costumes are appropriate for the school setting
- Toy and Costume Weapons remain at home
- The costume does not interfere with the students ability to participate in learning.

Weather permitting, we are planning outdoor costume parade (K-6), cohorted classes will observe and participate in a parade on our field. As per Niagara Region Public Health, non-essential visitors are not allowed at school, so we are not able to have parents participate/observe this year.

Teachers will plan activities for their classrooms. Students may bring in some personal treats but as always avoid products that contain or may contain nuts or nut products. Some classes have additional allergies and homeroom teachers will send out additional reminders as the date approaches. Please do not send items for sharing.

For families that do not participate in Halloween or will not be wearing a costume we recommend Orange and Black Spirit Day. We will also have fall activities available. We are also planning a pizza day for October 29th, more details to follow.

If you have any questions or concerns don't hesitate to contact your child's teacher or the school office directly.

## PHOTO DAY

We are please to announce that we will be once again offering school photos. Photographers have been vetted and approved by the District School Board of Niagara. Classes will be processed one cohort at a time and only individual pictures will be taken. There will be no class photo this year.

**Our Picture Day is schedule for November 5, 2021.**

More information about the process and packages that are available will be sent to families as the date approaches. All students will have photographs taken but the purchase of photo packages is completely optional.

An alternate day will be scheduled for absent students and an additional day will be scheduled in the spring for our Grade 8 graduation photos.





# STUDENT DAILY SCREENING

Parents and Guardians,

As part of our ongoing commitment to student safety, and as recommended by the Ministry of Education and Niagara Public Health, we will be adding an additional layer to our screening process after the October long weekend. Secondary students have been actively screening since last year. Parents will need to sign a parental agreement form and begin active screening on Tuesday, October 12<sup>th</sup>.

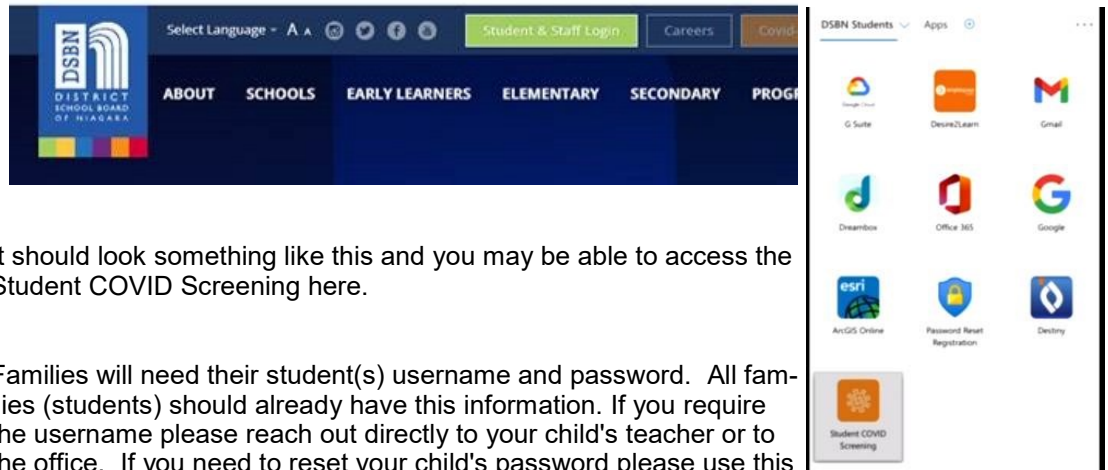
Starting this week, families will be asked to login and complete the Daily Student Screening online. Families that have not completed the daily screening will receive a reminder email to complete the screening. We ask that parents complete the Parental Daily Screening Agreement (available through School Cash Online and attached below).

The daily screening can be completed by following the link below. The link is also available on the school website.

Daily Student Screening Link: <https://student-covid-screening.dsbn.org/>

If you cannot access it directly try going to the DSBN portal and use the Student and Staff login with the student's username and password. This is the same way you can access your child accesses their online classroom.

<https://www.dsbn.org/>



It should look something like this and you may be able to access the Student COVID Screening here.

Families will need their student(s) username and password. All families (students) should already have this information. If you require the username please reach out directly to your child's teacher or to the office. If you need to reset your child's password please use this link ([Password Reset](#)). If you do reset your child's password please let your child know the new password so they can access their account at school.

Do not hesitate to reach out with any questions or if you require assistance.



## Cross Country Club

Congratulations to all the students that participated in the Cross Country Clubs and races. It was great to see the students training and preparing for the races. The students who were observing their classmates compete did an excellent job of cheering on all of the runners. Thank you to the teachers for running the training sessions and organizing the races.

| Grade | BOYS      |          |                     | GIRLS     |           |             |
|-------|-----------|----------|---------------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|
|       | 1ST       | 2ND      | 3RD                 | 1ST       | 2ND       | 3RD         |
| 3     | Carlos    | Eliss    | Colby               | Cara R    | Marlowe   | Abby        |
| 4     | Cohen C   | Ethan G  | William M<br>Mark F | Norah H   | Emmy B    | Jayda S     |
| 5     | Kellen P  | Judah C  | Claydon T           | Sydney S  | Devyn V   | Riley W     |
| 6     | Myles V   | Brady F  | Jack M              | Natalia M | Gaby O    | Katherine M |
| 7     | Haiden S. | Ben G.   | Ben A.              | Emily F.  | Bella O.  | Abigail     |
| 8     | Adam F.   | Logan M. | Alec B.             | Lydia J.  | Rachel J. |             |



Congratulations to all the Runners

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Please mark these dates on your calendar and plan accordingly.

**November 5, 2021**

**Photo Day**

**November 18, 2021**

**Progress Reports Go Home**

**November 19, 2021**

**PD Day**

#### Winter Break

**Friday, December 24, 2021 to**

**January 9, 2022**

**(Last day of Class is Dec. 23)**

#### March Break

**March 14th to 18th, 2022**

The complete 2021-2022 Elementary School Calendar is available online: <https://www.dsb.org/calendars>

# October 2021



| Sun  | Mon   | Tue                          | Wed      | Thu   | Fri  | Sat |
|--|---|------------------------------|----------|---|--|-----|
|  |   |                              |          |   | 1 Day 9  | 2   |
| 3  | 4 Day 10  | 5 Day 1                      | 6 Day 2  | 7 Day 3   | 8 Day 4  | 9   |
| 10   | 11<br>Thanksgiving<br>     | 12 Day 5                     | 13 Day 6 | 14 Day 7  | 15 Day 8   | 16  |
| 17   | 18 Day 9  | 19 Day 10                    | 20 Day 1 | 21 Day 2<br>Soccer Festival<br>                | 22 Day 3   | 23  |
| 24   | 25 Day 4  | 26 Day 5                     | 27 Day 6 | 28 Day 7<br>Student of the Month Assembly<br> | 29 Day 8<br>Halloween Activities<br> | 30  |
| 31<br>Halloween<br> | Scholastic Book Fair<br> | Virtual Book Fair<br>Nov 1-8 |          | SCHOOL Photo Day<br>Nov. 5<br>               |  |     |

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Glynn A. Green Public School

